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Title: DETECTION AND IDENTIFICATION OF BIOPOLYMERS USING FLUORESCENCE QUENCHING

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Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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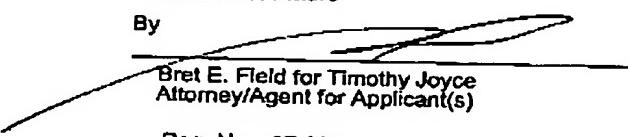
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated November 1, 2005, for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before February 1, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks set forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.